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Applicant : Frank R. Miele, et al.

Appl. No. : 09/815,982

Filed : March 22, 2001

For : **METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR THE NONINVASIVE
ASSESSMENT OF
HEMODYNAMIC
PARAMETERS INCLUDING
BLOOD VESSEL LOCATION**

Examiner : Jung, William C.

Group Art Unit: 3737



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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2003 ("Office Action"), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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RESTRICTION ELECTION

Pursuant to Par. 1, page 2 of the Office Action, Applicant herein elects the invention of
5 Group I (Claims 1-8, 10-14, 19-24, and 36-38) without traverse. Applicant has herein cancelled
all non-elected claims without prejudice.